

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A carrier for transporting a pressurized cylinder, the carrier comprising:

a container of box-like shaped proportions for accommodating the pressurized cylinder therein, the container including a top portion having an opening therein, a bottom portion, and a plurality of side portions;

at least one wheel attached to the bottom portion of the container; ~~and~~

one or more handles for gripping the carrier; ~~and~~

a plurality of side flaps pivotally connected to the container, wherein when the side flaps are moved to a closed position, the opening of the container is only partially covered.

2. (Original) The carrier of claim 1, wherein the handle comprises a telescoping handle attached to one of the plurality of side portions.

3. (Withdrawn) The carrier of claim 1, further comprising an indented bottom for stabilizing the pressurized cylinder.

4. (Original) The carrier of claim 1, wherein the pressurized cylinder is one of a liquid propane gas cylinder and a refrigerant recovery tank.

5. (Withdrawn) The carrier of claim 1, further comprising a lid, wherein the lid is removably attached to the top portion of the container, the lid completely covering the opening.

6. (Withdrawn) The carrier of claim 5, further comprising one or more latches for securing the lid to the container.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) The carrier of claim ~~7~~1, further comprising a plurality of levers affixed to at least one of the side flaps, wherein each of the levers is tension engaged, the levers configured to move from a first position to a second position, wherein movement from the first position to the second position secures the at least one of side flaps in a closed position, thereby securing the pressurized cylinder within the container.

9. (Original) The carrier of claim 8, further comprising:

a plurality of dowels, wherein each dowel corresponds to one of the levers;
and

a plurality of receiving portions in the side portions, wherein each of the receiving portions is adapted to receive a corresponding dowel therein, thereby securing the associated side flap to the container.

10. (Withdrawn) The carrier of claim 9, further comprising a lid having cutaway portions to accommodate the side flaps and further having side panels with notches therein, the notches adapted to receive the dowels from the side flaps to secure the side flaps in an upright position and to secure the lid over the top portion of the container.

11. (Original) The carrier of claim 1, wherein the handle comprises at least one hand hole in one of the side portions of the container.

12. (Original) The carrier of claim 1, further comprising one or more strap receiving openings in one of the side portions of the container.

13. (Original) The carrier of claim 12, further comprising a strap, wherein the strap is received by one or more of the strap receiving openings.

14. (Original) The carrier of claim 1, including two wheels mounted on a frame and positioned adjacent the bottom portion of the container.

15-20. (Cancelled)

21. (Currently Amended) A carrier for transporting a pressurized cylinder, the carrier comprising:

- a container of box-likeshaped proportions for accommodating the pressurized cylinder therein, the container including a top portion having an opening therein, a bottom portion, and a plurality of side portions;

- a plurality of side flaps pivotally connected to the container, said side flaps movable from an open to a closed position and being sized to only partially cover the opening of the container;

- releasable engagement means on said side flaps;

- a plurality of receiving portions in the side portions, wherein each of the plurality of receiving portions cooperates with the releasable engagement means when one of the side flaps is moved from the open to the closed position, thereby securing the side flap to the container;

- at least one wheel attached to the bottom portion of the container; and

- a telescoping handle attached to one of the plurality of side portions.

22. (Withdrawn) The carrier of claim 21, further comprising a lid having cutaway portions to accommodate the side flaps and further having side panels with receiving portions therein, said receiving portions cooperating with the releasable engagement means from the side flaps to secure the side flaps in an upright position and to secure the lid over the top portion of the container;